

# DWSAP Form for PBE (Groundwater)

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Source Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Source No.: \_\_\_\_\_

| PARAMETER   | POINTS     |          |
|---|------------|----------|
|   | Unconfined | Confined |
| <b>A. TYPE OF AQUIFER</b>   |            |          |
| Confinement (up to 50 points maximum) choose one  |            |          |
| a. Unconfined, Semi-confined, Fractured Rock, Unknown   | 0          |          |
| b. Confined   |            | 50       |
| <b>B. AQUIFER MATERIAL (Unconfined Aquifer)</b>   |            |          |
| Type of materials within the aquifer (up to 20 points maximum) choose one   |            |          |
| 1. Porous Media (Interbedded sands, silts, clays, gravels) with continuous clay layer minimum 25' thick above water table within Zone A | 20         |          |
| 2. Porous Media (Interbedded sands, silts, clays, and gravels)  | 10         |          |
| 3. Fractured rock *   | 0          |          |
| (* Low Physical Barrier Effectiveness - no further questions required)  |            |          |
| <b>C. PATHWAYS OF CONTAMINATION (All Aquifers)</b>  |            |          |
| Presence of Abandoned or Improperly Destroyed Wells (up to 10 points maximum)   |            |          |
| 1. Are they present within Zone A (2-year time of travel (TOT) distance)?   |            |          |
| a. Yes or unknown   | 0          | 0        |
| b. No   | 5          | 5        |
| 2. Are they present within Zone B5 (2- to 5-year TOT distance)?   |            |          |
| a. Yes or unknown   | 0          | 0        |
| b. No   | 3          | 3        |
| 3. Are they present within Zone B10 (5- to 10-year TOT distance)?   |            |          |
| a. Yes or unknown   | 0          | 0        |
| b. No   | 2          | 2        |
| <b>D. STATIC WATER CONDITIONS (Unconfined Aquifer)</b>  |            |          |
| Depth to static Water (DTW) = _____ feet  |            |          |
| (up to 10 points maximum) choose one  |            |          |
| 1. 0 to 20 feet   | 0          |          |
| 2. 20 to 50 feet  | 2          |          |
| 3. 50 to 100 feet   | 6          |          |
| 4. > 100 feet   | 10         |          |
| <b>E. WELL OPERATION (Unconfined Aquifer)</b>   |            |          |
| Depth to Uppermost Perforations (DUP) = _____ feet  |            |          |
| Maximum Pumping Rate of Well (Q) = _____ gallons/minute   |            |          |
| Length of screened interval (H) = _____ feet  |            |          |
| $[(DUP - DTW) / (Q/H)]$ = _____   |            |          |
| (up to 10 points maximum) choose one  |            |          |
| 1. < 5  | 0          |          |
| 2. 5 to 10  | 5          |          |
| 3. > 10   | 10         |          |

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|--|------------|----------|
|  | Unconfined | Confined |
| <b>F. HYDRAULIC HEAD (Confined Aquifer)</b>  |            |          |
| What is the relationship in hydraulic head between the confined aquifer and the overlying unconfined aquifer? (i.e. does the well flow under artesian conditions?) |            |          |
| (up to 20 points maximum) choose one   |            |          |
| 1. head in confined aquifer is higher than head in unconfined aquifer under all conditions   |            | 20       |
| 2. head in confined aquifer is higher than head in unconfined aquifer under static conditions  |            | 10       |
| 3. head in confined aquifer is lower than or same as head in unconfined aquifer  |            | 0        |
| 4. unknown   |            | 0        |
| <b>G. WELL CONSTRUCTION (All Aquifers)</b>   |            |          |
| 1. Sanitary Seal (Annular Seal) Depth = _____ feet   |            |          |
| (up to 10 points maximum) choose one   |            |          |
| a. None or less than 20 feet deep  | 0          | 0        |
| b. 20 to 50 ft deep  | 6          | 10       |
| c. 50 ft or greater  | 10         | 10       |
| 2. Surface seal (concrete cap) (up to 4 points maximum) choose one   |            |          |
| a. Not present or improperly constructed   | 0          | 0        |
| b. Watertight, slopes away from well, at least 2' laterally in all directions  | 4          | 4        |
| 3. Flooding potential at well site (up to 1 point maximum) choose one  |            |          |
| a. Subject to localized flooding (i.e. in low area or unsealed pit or vault) or Within 100 year flood plain  | 0          | 0        |
| b. Not subject to flooding   | 1          | 1        |
| 4. Security at well site (up to 5 points maximum) choose one   |            |          |
| a. Not secure  | 0          | 0        |
| b. Secure (i.e. housing, fencing, etc.)  | 5          | 5        |
| Maximum Points Possible  | 70         | 100      |
| <b>POINT TOTAL FOR THIS SOURCE</b>   |            |          |

## Physical Barrier Effectiveness SCORE INTERPRETATION

| Point Total | Effectiveness                                |
|-------------|--|
| 0 to 35 =   | Low (includes all sources in Fractured Rock) |
| 36 to 69 =  | Moderate                                     |
| 70 to 100 = | High   |

# DWSAP Scoring System

- PCA Risk Ranking Points:
  - very high      7
  - high            5
  - moderate      3
  - low             1
- Physical Barrier Effectiveness Points:
  - low             5
  - moderate      3
  - high            1
- Zone Points
  - ▶ Surface Water:
    - Zone A          5
    - Zone B          3
    - watershed      1 (or 5, if no zones defined)
  - ▶ Groundwater:
    - Zone A          5
    - Zone B5        3
    - Zone B10       1

# To which PCAs is a Water Source vulnerable?

## Vulnerability Matrix for SURFACE WATER SOURCES

The cutoff point for vulnerability is **11**. The drinking water source is considered Vulnerable to all PCA's with Vulnerability Score greater than or equal to **11** (shaded boxes).

| PCA points | Zone points  |               | PCA + Zone points | PBE Points |     |      | Vulnerability Score<br>PCA + Zone + PBE points |         |          |
|------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------|------------|-----|------|--|---------|----------|
|            | Risk Ranking | Zones Defined | Zones Not Defined | Low        | Med | High | PBE Low  | PBE Med | PBE High |

## Vulnerability Matrix for GROUND WATER SOURCES

The cutoff point for vulnerability is **8**. The drinking water source is considered Vulnerable to all PCA's with Vulnerability Score greater than or equal to **8** (shaded boxes).

| PCA points   | Zone points   | PCA + Zone points | PBE Points |     |      | Vulnerability Score<br>PCA + Zone + PBE points |         |          |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------|------------|-----|------|--|---------|----------|
|              |               |                   | Low        | Med | High | PBE Low  | PBE Med | PBE High |
| Risk Ranking | A, B5, B10    |                   |            |     |      |  |         |          |
| VH (7)       | A (5)         | 12                | 5          | 3   | 1    | 17   | 15      | 13       |
| VH (7)       | B5 (3)        | 10                | 5          | 3   | 1    | 15   | 13      | 11       |
| VH (7)       | B10 (1)       | 8                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 13   | 11      | 9        |
| VH (7)       | Unknown (0) * | 7                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 12   | 10      | 8        |
| H (5)        | A (5)         | 10                | 5          | 3   | 1    | 15   | 13      | 11       |
| H (5)        | B5 (3)        | 8                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 13   | 11      | 9        |
| H (5)        | B10 (1)       | 6                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 11   | 9       | 7        |
| H (5)        | Unknown (0) * | 5                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 10   | 8       | 6        |
| M (3)        | A (5)         | 8                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 13   | 11      | 9        |
| M (3)        | B5 (3)        | 6                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 11   | 9       | 7        |
| M (3)        | B10 (1)       | 4                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 9  | 7       | 5        |
| M (3)        | Unknown (0) * | 3                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 8  | 6       | 4        |
| L (1)        | A (5)         | 6                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 11   | 9       | 7        |
| L (1)        | B5 (3)        | 4                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 9  | 7       | 5        |
| L (1)        | B10 (1)       | 2                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 7  | 5       | 1        |
| L (1)        | Unknown (0) * | 1                 | 5          | 3   | 1    | 6  | 4       | 2        |

\* Source is considered vulnerable to types of PCAs that are Unknown, if the Vulnerability Score is 8 or higher.

|   |   |    |    |    |
|---|---|----|----|----|
| 3 | 1 | 17 | 15 | 13 |
| 3 | 1 | 15 | 13 | 11 |
| 3 | 1 | 13 | 11 | 9  |
| 3 | 1 | 12 | 10 | 8  |
| 3 | 1 | 15 | 13 | 11 |
| 3 | 1 | 13 | 11 | 9  |
| 3 | 1 | 11 | 9  | 7  |
| 3 | 1 | 10 | 8  | 6  |
| 3 | 1 | 13 | 11 | 9  |
| 3 | 1 | 11 | 9  | 7  |
| 3 | 1 | 9  | 7  | 5  |
| 3 | 1 | 8  | 6  | 4  |
| 3 | 1 | 11 | 9  | 7  |
| 3 | 1 | 9  | 7  | 5  |
| 3 | 1 | 7  | 5  | 1  |
| 3 | 1 | 6  | 4  | 2  |

, if the Vulnerability Score is 11 or

# DWSAP Method

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## Principle Motivation of Ranking

- Most PCAs will rank as “moderate”
- The PCAs with the highest risk of polluting the water source will rank as “high” => should be the focus of protection activities
- Negligible PCAs will rank as “low”

# DWSAP Method

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## Potential Pitfalls

- Comparison of Apples & Oranges:  
20 pts Example
  - ▶ Unconsolidated sediments w/ clay layer (20 pts), water level depth 0-20 ft (0 pts), no sanitary seal (0 pts)
  - ▶ Unconsolidated sediments w/o clay layer (10 pts), water level depth greater than 100 ft (10 pts), no sanitary seal (0 pts)
  - ▶ Unconsolidated sediments w/o clay layer (10 pts), water level depth 0-20 ft (0 pts), sanitary seal 50 ft or thicker (10 pts)
  - ▶ Fractured rock aquifer (0 pts), water level depth greater than 100 ft (10 pts), sanitary seal 50 ft or thicker (10 pts)

# Index & Overlay Method

Example: DRASTIC (Aller, 1987; EPA 1985)

- Depth to groundwater (5)
  - Recharge (4)
  - Aquifer media (3)
  - Soil media (2)
  - Topography (1)
  - Impact of vadose zone (5)
  - Hydraulic Conductivity of the aquifer (3)
- (In parantheses: weight)*

**Total Score: Sum of all (score • weight)**



### S1 - Outcropping Gneiss

FACTOR D A T A RATING \* WEIGHT= NUM.

|   |                |    |   |    |
|---|----------------|----|---|----|
| D | >30 m          | 1  | 5 | 5  |
| R | 300 mm         | 9  | 4 | 36 |
| A | Gneiss, fract. | 5  | 3 | 15 |
| S | Absent         | 10 | 2 | 20 |
| T | >18%           | 1  | 1 | 1  |
| I | Gneiss, fract. | 4  | 5 | 20 |
| C | E-05 m/s       | 9  | 3 | 27 |

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### S2 - Glacial deposits over Gneiss

FACTOR D A T A RATING \* WEIGHT= NUM.

|   |                  |   |   |    |
|---|------------------|---|---|----|
| D | 25 m             | 2 | 5 | 10 |
| R | 300 mm           | 9 | 4 | 36 |
| A | Gneiss, fract.   | 5 | 3 | 15 |
| S | Sandy            | 9 | 2 | 18 |
| T | 13%              | 3 | 1 | 3  |
| I | Sand/grav/gneiss | 5 | 5 | 25 |
| C | E-05 m/s         | 9 | 3 | 27 |

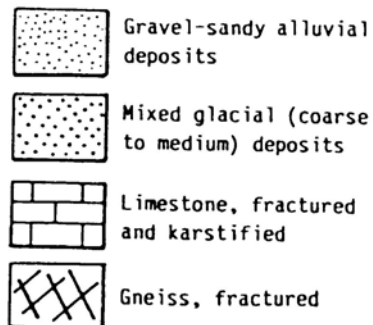
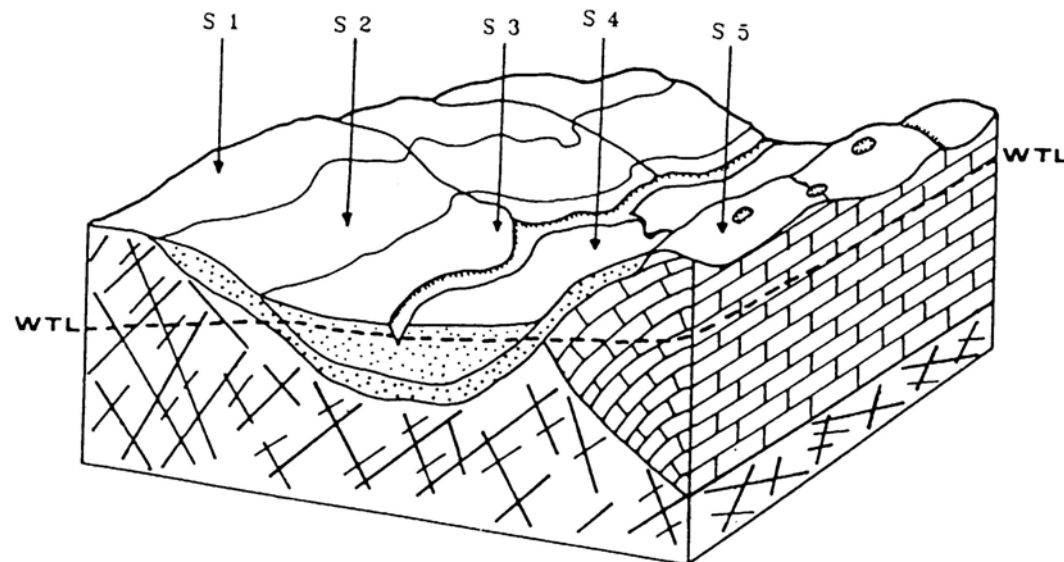
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### S3 - Alluvial deposits

FACTOR D A T A RATING \* WEIGHT= NUM.

|   |               |    |   |    |
|---|---------------|----|---|----|
| D | 3 m           | 10 | 5 | 50 |
| R | 300 mm        | 9  | 4 | 36 |
| A | Gravel & Sand | 8  | 3 | 24 |
| S | Sandy loam    | 6  | 2 | 12 |
| T | 2%            | 10 | 1 | 10 |
| I | Gravel & Sand | 8  | 5 | 40 |
| C | E-02 m/s      | 10 | 3 | 30 |

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WTL ---- Water-table level

### S4 - Glacial deposit over Limestone

FACTOR D A T A RATING \* WEIGHT= NUM.

|   |                   |   |   |    |
|---|-------------------|---|---|----|
| D | 10 m              | 7 | 5 | 35 |
| R | 300 mm            | 9 | 4 | 36 |
| A | Limestone, karst. | 9 | 3 | 27 |
| S | Sandy loam        | 6 | 2 | 12 |
| T | 18%               | 3 | 1 | 3  |
| I | Sand/grav/Limes.  | 7 | 5 | 35 |
| C | E-03 m/s          | 9 | 3 | 27 |

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### S5 - Outcropping Limestone

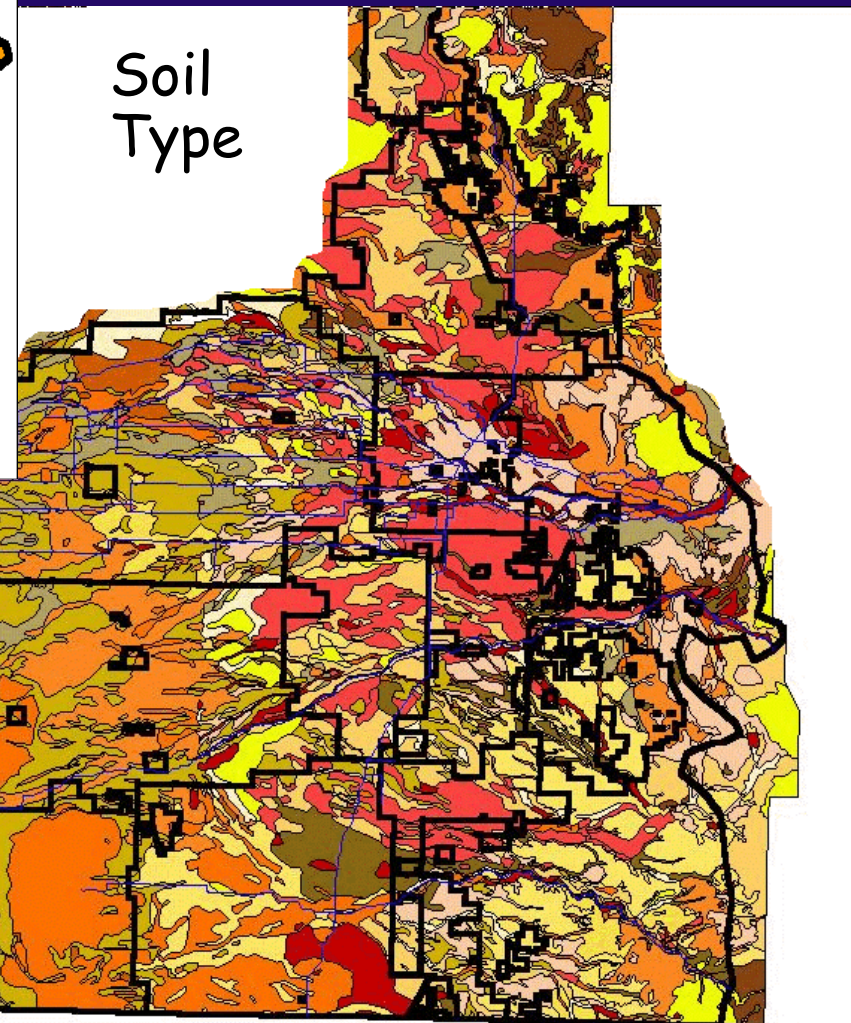
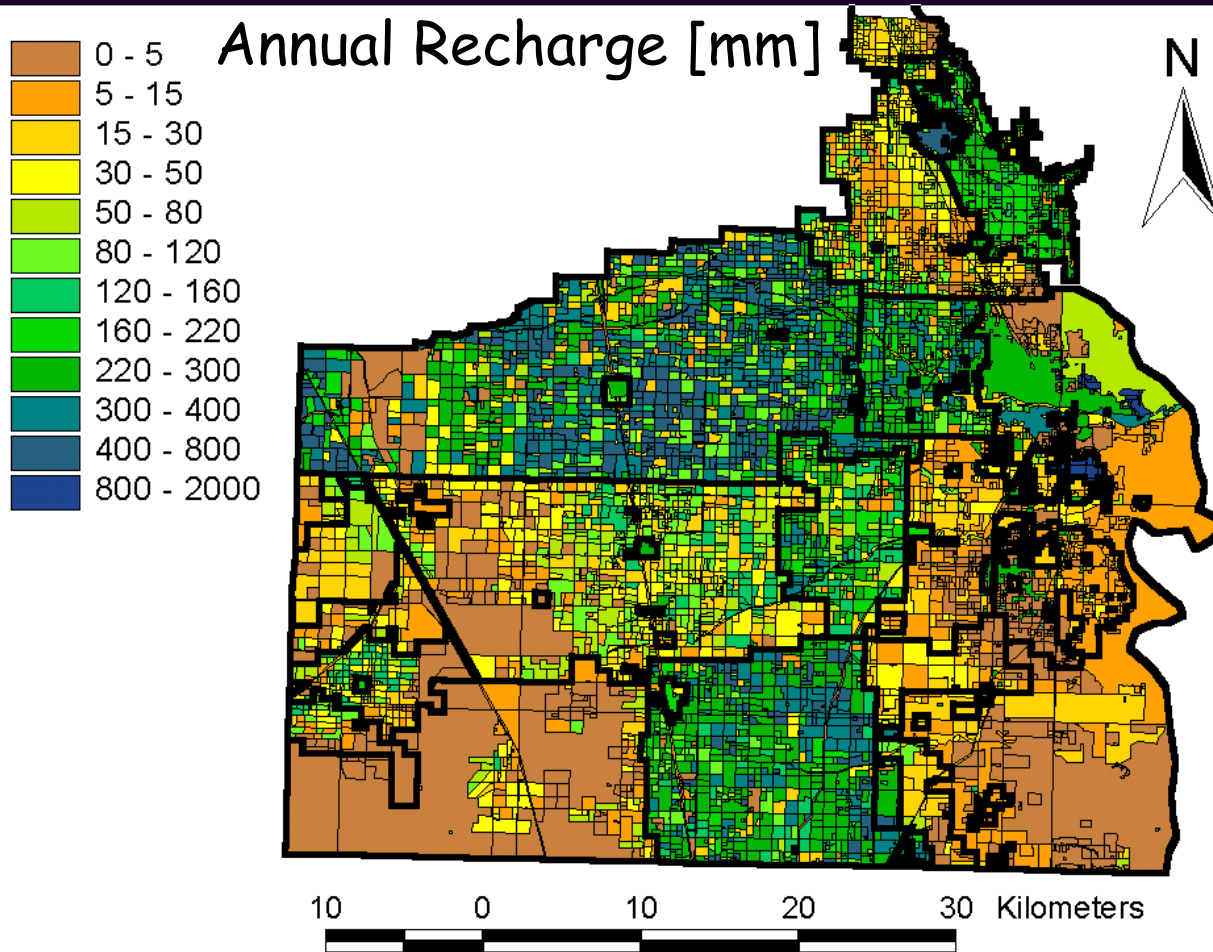
FACTOR D A T A RATING \* WEIGHT= NUM.

|   |                   |    |   |    |
|---|-------------------|----|---|----|
| D | >30               | 1  | 5 | 5  |
| R | 300 mm            | 9  | 4 | 36 |
| A | Limestone, karst. | 9  | 3 | 27 |
| S | Absent            | 10 | 2 | 20 |
| T | >18%              | 1  | 1 | 1  |
| I | Limestone karst.  | 10 | 5 | 50 |
| C | E-03 m/s          | 9  | 3 | 27 |

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Figure 10. Examples of DRASTIC index in various hydrogeological settings (from Civita 1990a).

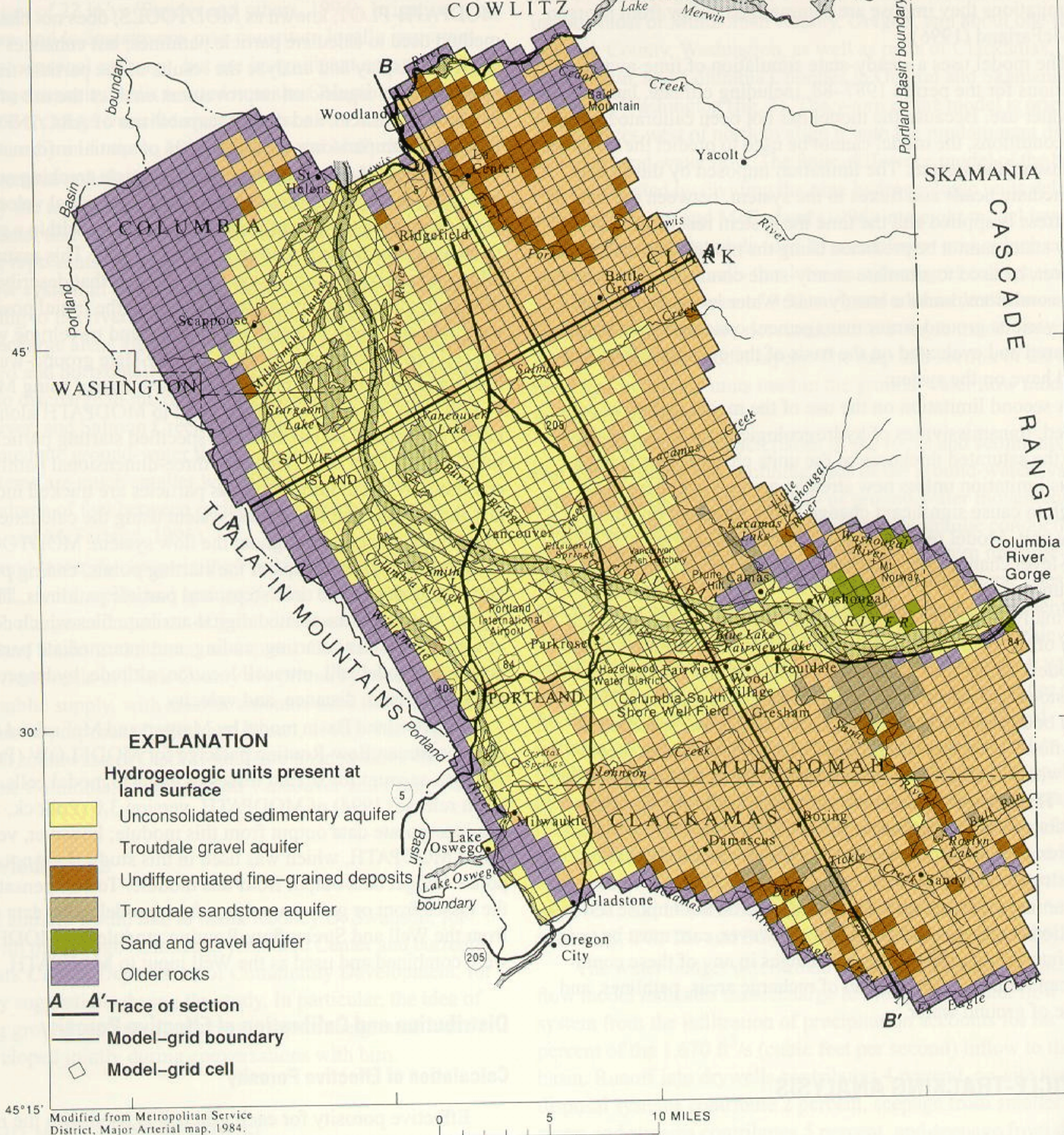
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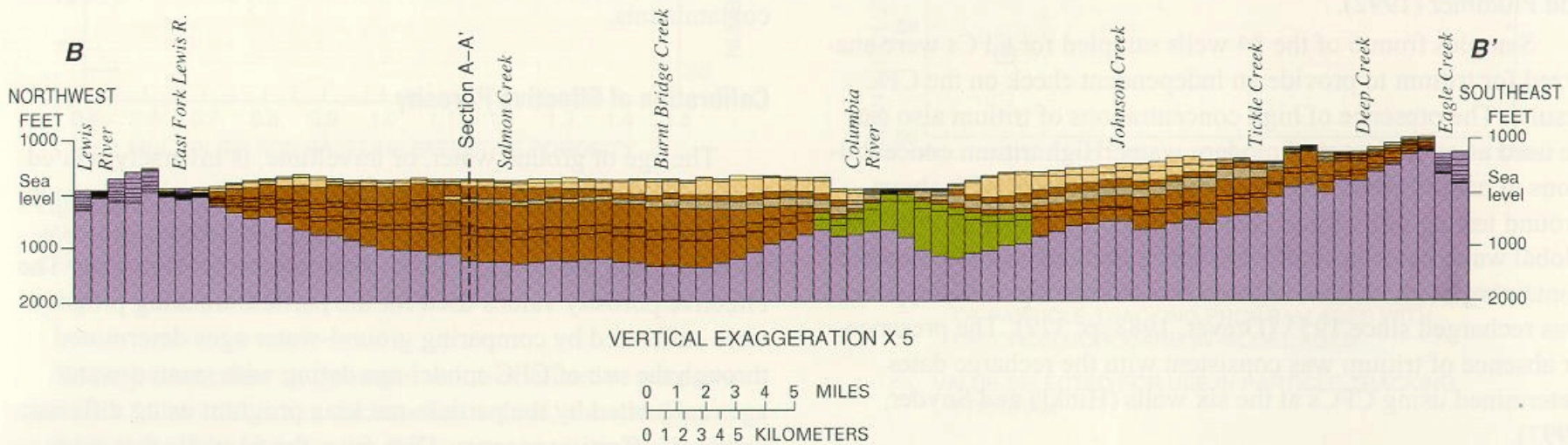
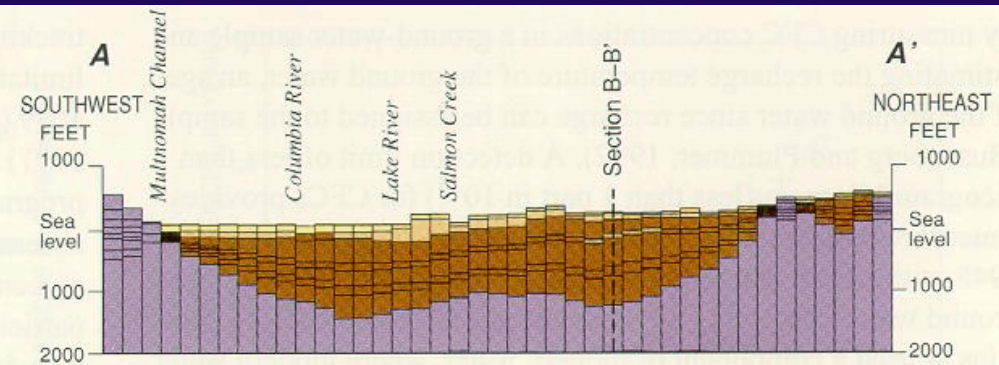
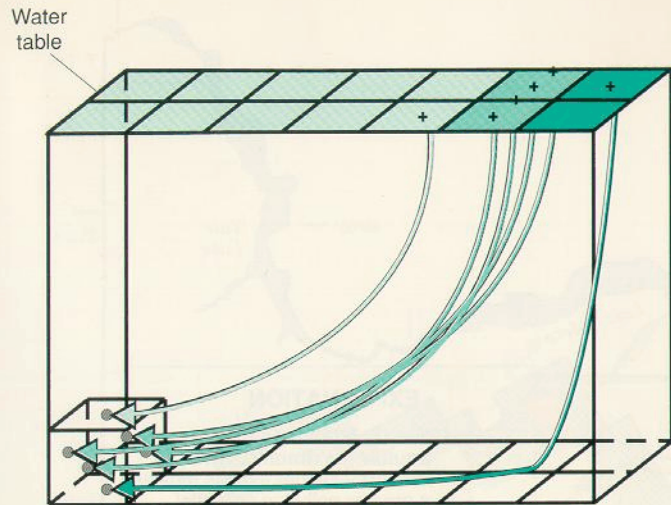
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